



**EARLY DAHLIAS:** Home several days recently between flights as an American Airlines stewardess, Miss Sammie Gualandi displays several big blooms from dahlia plants that opened far ahead of normal blooming season for this variety of flower at her parents' home. She is the daughter of Mr.

and Mrs. Danti Gualandi, 1220 Pavone street, Benton Harbor. With her on porch steps is her pet poodle. The variety of the dahlia is unknown to the Gualandis. (Color photo by Staff Photographer Harry Smith)

## WHY LBJ GAVE UP

### Lynda's Questions About War 'Final Clincher'

NEW YORK (AP) — Columnist Drew Pearson says in a magazine article that questions by Lynda Bird about why her husband had to go to Vietnam provided "the final clincher" for President Johnson's decision to retire.

Pearson writes in the current issue of Look magazine that Johnson and his wife asked Secret Service men to awaken them before Lynda Bird arrived at the White House at 6:30 a.m. after a flight to the West Coast to see her husband, Marine Corps Capt. Charles Robb, off to war.

Pearson says the President confided to a friend: "We didn't want her coming into the White House all alone. So we left word with the Secret Service to notify us 30 minutes

in advance.

"We were awake and lying in bed before the Secret Service called. I pulled a pair of britches over my pajamas and we went out to the South Gate to meet her.

**'NEVER COMING BACK'**

"She was pale as a ghost. She

talked to me about what a fine boy Chuck was, in the past tense, as if he was never coming back.

And Lynda Bird said: "Daddy, I want to ask you a question. Why do we have to fight over there when so many people were opposed to the war? Why

do we have to send 200 boys over there in Chuck's company when there's so much opposition here at home to the war?"

That night, Johnson announced his decision to withdraw from the presidential picture.

Pearson says Humphrey tried to persuade Johnson not to withdraw, but the President was adamant.

Pearson quotes Johnson as having said:

"The time is getting short. We've got to get peace in Vietnam. And I think that with me bowing out the other side is more likely to negotiate.

"There's another thing. I'm tired. I'm getting old. All the men in my family have a record of not living much over the age of 60. I'll be 60 this summer. I've had a heart attack. My health is pretty good. I think my chart is as good as yours. But I'm not sure I could live out another term. And that's not the way I want to end my life."

Aides of Humphrey in Washington said he would have no comment on the magazine article.

Pearson wrote that Johnson told Humphrey he had intended

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**REASON FOR QUITTING:** President Johnson's feelings for his daughter Lynda Bird and her husband, Marine Capt. Charles Robb, figured prominently in the president's decision not to seek reelection. The young couple are shown here at an event in Austin, Tex. Columnist Drew Pearson writes that questions Lynda Bird had about why her husband had to go to fight in the Vietnam war provided "the final clincher" for Johnson's decision to retire.

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# LMC ASKS SPLIT FOR VAN BUREN

## Berrien Wants 4 Townships

### Cass College Would Get Rest Of Land

In keeping with a State Department of Education plan to offer Van Buren county residents the opportunity to join nearby community college districts, Lake Michigan college trustees last night proposed dividing Van Buren between LMC and Southwestern Michigan college districts.

In a resolution addressed to the Michigan State Board of Education, trustees called for adding four Northwestern Van Buren townships to LMC's district and the rest of Van Buren to Southwestern Michigan college at Dowagiac.

The state board, which wants all parts of the state in community college districts, has ruled Van Buren cannot have its own college.

Last night's resolution opposes a proposed annexation of counties to the new Kalamazoo the Mattawan school district in community college district.

#### UP TO PEOPLE

LMC board members were careful to explain last night that they seek to dictate to no one, since townships annexing to college districts must have the approval of township residents.

The LMC board resolution "strenuously recommends" annexation to LMC of the townships of Covert, South Haven, Geneva and Bangor and the City of South Haven — with the rest of Van Buren going to Southwestern Michigan college.

This formula, the resolution says, would be in Van Buren's best interest and would prevent non-annexable "no man's lands," possible where school districts annex to one college district and townships to another college district.

The resolution is not aimed against Kalamazoo Community college, said Board Chairman Robert Small. Instead, it's an effort to prevent "no man's lands" in Van Buren.

A companion resolution from Southwestern Michigan College is expected to follow LMC's resolution.

In 1966, residents of Keeler and Hamilton townships voted to join the Southwestern Michigan college district but Decatur and Porter township residents voted against joining the SMC district. All four townships border on Cass county.

The LMC resolution says, in part: "Whereas Lake Michigan College is in the 44th district, according to a sampling of polling places.

The polls will remain open until 8 p.m. in the runoff between Ray Mittan, former WHFB news broadcaster, and Arthur C. Betz, Coloma resident who operates his own business in Chicago. Democrat Ervin Appelget is unopposed.

A thin scattering of voters had gone to the polls shortly before noon today to cast ballots in the special primary to decide the GOP candidate for an unexpired term as state representative in the 44th district, according to a sampling of polling places.

Typical of the very tight turnout early today was a report of 20 ballots cast up to 11 a.m. at Precinct 2, Ward 1, in Benton Harbor (located at senior high school). Sodus township poll workers reported 27 ballots issued up to the same time.

The district embraces the Cities of Benton Harbor, Coloma and Watervliet and eight townships in northern Berrien county, and also the City of Dowagiac and Silver Creek township in Cass county.



**CARPENTERS BACK ON JOB:** Construction on new Lake Michigan college campus resumed this morning as members of Carpenters Local 898 are seen returning to work at the new LMC site. Striking carpenters in southwest Michigan ratified a new two-year contract with contractors yesterday and began returning to their various jobs today. The vote totals from the seven locals involved were 707-350 in favor of the new pact which gives some 3,500 carpenters in the district an additional \$1.62 per hour including fringes, over a two-year period. Only Kalamazoo Local 297 failed to approve the contract. Locals in Benton Harbor, Grand Rapids, Muskegon, Coldwater, Battle Creek and Holland okayed it. The strike which started May 1, has tied up millions of dollars in construction in the 21-county area. Two construction trade unions are still on strike in the Twin City area—operating equipment engineers and painters and decorators. Failure to settle the engineers' walkout could idle carpenters again. (Staff photo)

## UNTIL MID-1969?

# Completion Of LMC Campus Is Delayed

Lake Michigan college trustees heard last night the school likely will not be able to occupy its new Benton township campus until mid-1969, as result of the newly ended carpenters strike. Earlier plans called for the students to be in the new buildings at the start of the second semester early in 1969. The Trustees last night also approved a round of salary

increases for the school administrative and executive staff. President James L. Lehman was accorded a \$2,500 raise, and Vice President S. Olof Karlstrom \$2,625.

Construction on the new campus was reported to be 11 weeks behind schedule now in the wake of the carpenters strike.

**47 PERCENT COMPLETED**

The campus is 47 per cent

completed with 66 per cent of the time gone toward the hoped-for February opener, Karlstrom said.

Construction was four to five weeks behind schedule—from bad weather last fall—and catching up when area carpenters struck, Karlstrom added. He reported "no progress of

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## SJ Civic Leader Knaak Dies

### Served 33 Years On County Board

Alvin O. Knaak, 76, prominent St. Joseph insurance man and civic leader died at 4 a.m. today in Memorial hospital, shortly after being admitted.

Mr. Knaak, member of a long-time Democratic family in St. Joseph, resigned in November of 1955 after 33 years of continuous service on the Berrien county board of supervisors.

He was born June 13, 1892, in St. Joseph. On Sept. 26, 1920, he married the former Frances Schoenfelder in St. Joseph. She survives. Also surviving are two sons, William and Frederick, both of St. Joseph and six grandchildren.

Mr. Knaak was a life long resident of St. Joseph. For a number of years he was associated with the Knaak Drug company in the operation of drug stores in St. Joseph, Stevensville, and Bridgman.

In 1922 the Knaak Insurance Agency was founded by Mr. Knaak's father, the late G.H. Knaak, former St. Joseph postmaster. Upon his death, Mr. Knaak became active head of the concern.

In eight supervisor elections he led the field and in four



ALVIN O. KNAAK

others ran second. For several other campaigns he had no opposition.

He was a member of the Masonic Lodge No. 437. A veteran of World War I and belonged to the American Legion.

Funeral services will be held Thursday at 11 a.m., in the Kerlikowske and Starks' funeral home. The Rev. E. A. Irion, pastor of the Zion Evangelical Reformed church, will officiate. Entombment will be in City cemetery mausoleum with a private service.

The family has suggested memorials be made to the church.

House of David Greenhouses closed Wednesday afternoons July & August. Adv.

## Election Chaos Is Threatening

### Attorney General Warns High Court

LANSING (AP) — An issue which has thrown Michigan's electoral process into chaos and even caused some talk of a change in the primary election date is before the State Supreme Court today.

Atty. Gen. Frank Kelley warned the court Monday that unless it acts promptly, "havoc will prevail in the election processes of this state."

In Wayne County, meanwhile, elections officials wondered whether they would be able to have ballots ready for the primary election now set for Aug. 6, or whether emergency legislative action would be needed to change the date.

At issue in the legal proceedings is the order in which candidates' names are to be printed on the ballot.

**LAW STRUCK DOWN**

The matter burst upon elections officials Friday, when the State Court of Appeals, in a Wayne County case struck down two new state laws on ballot printing. The ruling came little more than four weeks before the primary date.

With ballot printing — usually (See back page, sec. 1, col. 8)

THE HERALD-PRESS  
Editorial Page

W. J. Banyon, Editor and Publisher  
Bert Lindenfeld, Managing Editor

American Commies  
Disdain The New Left

Gus Hall who will be the first Communist candidate for President since 1940 says his party will paddle its campaign canoe without the help of the so called new leftists in the U.S.

He doesn't tell them not to mark an X before his name. Neither does he actively seeking their support.

Hall regards them as snythetics, good enough to make noise for Senator McCarthy and strong enough possibly to have convinced LBJ to seek early retirement, but not the genuine cloth from which a truly revolutionary flag can be woven.

Hall is general secretary of the American Communist party which by his count numbers over 13,000 dues paying members and attracts another 100,000 to 150,000 adherents.

The party last ran Earl Browder against FDR and Wendell

Willkie in 1940, receiving 40,000 votes.

It more or less went underground once the U.S. entered World War II because Russia and ourselves were battling a common foe.

Hall has taken over the reins since Browder faded from the scene.

The Reds concluded a four-day national convention in New York City on Sunday.

Neither the general public nor the press was admitted to its deliberations, though Hall did hold a few interviews before and after the sessions.

In one of them he gave as the reason for putting up a ticket this year the changing political climate in this country. He does not foresee capturing the White House in '68, but views this year as a start in that direction.

A more practical reason may well be a recent Supreme Court decision outlawing a ban in several states against listing the Communist party on a ballot.

Whatever the accuracy of Hall's prediction as to winning an election may be, his remarks following the New York convention may help to explain to our puzzled generation what some of the current shouting is all about.

He describes the new left as an "anti-working class, reactionary concept, sugar coated by leftist phrases."

The hippies, the Students for Democratic Action, the beatniks, etc., in his eye are fakes.

Further, he lumps them into "a petty bourgeois radicalism" which by his assessment is the yeast in a "grass roots electoral revolt which it reflected in the nature of the movement around the candidacy of Senator McCarthy as it is in the election of Negro mayors and congressmen."

The middle of the road American may regard the new leftist as being pretty far out of the ball park. Hall looks at him as merely a shift in the outfield to defend against a new batter.

That he appraises the new left as no more than a tool to be manipulated can be seen from a further statement that while the party will continue to support students seeking a greater share of control in campus affairs its principal energy will be directed at the young workman. This is standard Communist strategy, dating from Lenin's days prior to World War I. Since it has worked in other lands, Hall see no need to discard the training manuals sent to him from the Kremlin.

If one is to take Hall's words at face value, it means the Communists are not banking too heavily on that somewhat overworked descriptive term, "the generation gap," nor on the civil rights movement.

Both of them, if we read Hall's statements correctly, call for modifications in American thinking, but not a complete displacement of it.

Comparably, this is like the rock'n roll beat influencing popular music as jazz did in the 1920s.

The new left, then, as portrayed by Hall, does not amount to a ground swell such as the conversion of pagan nations to Christianity centuries ago.

It will, however, be used and shaped as much as possible for short term objectives and the long term gamble as well.

The best example of the former is the spate of anti-war and anti-draft demonstrations.

By Hall's further boast his lieutenants work tirelessly to organize the confused opinion toward the Vietnamese venture in the manner of a craftsman molding crude clay into finished pottery.

The reason is simple. Hall's superiors at Moscow have their own fish to fry in Viet Nam and in many other nooks and crannies throughout the world.

For the long pull, though, he looks to something more hard core upon which to build an American foundation. The chances for the present "lost generation" of finding itself fairly soon after commencement day and of the civil rights movement becoming as respectable as Social Security are not the odds upon which the Reds are placing bets for their horses.

The 4word "golf" derives from the Dutch for club, "kolf."

Phantom Of The Opera



GLANCING BACKWARDS

CITIZENS HELP  
S.J. FIREMEN

—1 Year Ago—

St. Joseph firemen had complete co-operation from two residents reporting fires over the weekend.

Charles Truhn, 419 Wayne street, St. Joseph, used his garden hose to confine a fire in logs and brush in the back of his home. Firemen finished the job at 7:25 p.m. Sunday.

Mike Richter, 1949 Brown school road, St. Joseph, drove his car to the fire station so firemen could extinguish a small fire in the front seat early this morning.

TO TAKE PART  
AT CENTENNIAL

—10 Years Ago—

Senator Charles E. Potter, Michigan republican, plans to fly from Washington, to attend Buchanan's Centennial celebration July 19-26. Potter wired the committee: "Buchanan's achievements and healthy growth in the last century are a source of pride to all of us. Senate business permitting, I expect to be on hand to take part in the celebration. I am looking forward to this most important occasion."

Sponsored by the Buchanan Chamber of Commerce, the week-long Centennial celebration is expected to draw substantial crowds from the entire area.

VIOLENCE MOUNTS  
ON RUSS FRONT

—25 Years Ago—

Adolf Hitler's desperate attempt at a summer victory-attack price over Russia sent the

battle of Kursk salient soaring to new heights of fury today as German armored columns led by 6-ton Tiger tanks battered again at the Belgorod end of the salient—and were met by fierce-fighting Russians who exacted an increasingly bloody toll.

Reports from the front said only that the battle on the debris-strewn steppes was growing in violence as the new German offensive rolled into its fifth day. The Russians had conceded a wedge was driven into their lines at Belgorod yesterday, but today both in the Belgorod area and against the unyielding northern sector of the Soviet line the Germans were said to be throwing fresh troops and new tanks.

GOING BACK

—35 Years Ago—

Joe Savoldi is going back to Three Oaks, the town where he made his first flash in athletic fame, and has bought from Fred Sizer a piece of property

at Birchwood Beach, an exclusive colony. One of the wrestler's neighbors will be the poet, Carl Sandburg.

ACCEPTS POSITION

—45 Years Ago—  
Miss Gretchen Dase has accepted a position at the Rimes & Hildebrand department store.

VISITING PARENTS

—55 Years Ago—  
George Keible has arrived from New York City for a month's visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Keible of Niles avenue.

BARGE HERE

—75 Years Ago—  
The barge Johnson which arrived here with lumber had one of the stormiest passages on the lake experienced by her veteran captain, William Walters. The boat took on a heavy load at Ludington and when off Little Au Sable encountered a heavy gale and lost her entire cargo of lumber.

HENRY CATHCART  
Inside Washington

WASHINGTON — Political observers have just about thrown up their hands in their efforts to find some common denominator, applicable to the U.S. political situation, in developments in other democratic nations.

The victory of DeGaulle

backers in the French elections, and abundant signs in Great Britain, were interpreted by some political analysts as bolstering a widespread view that there was a general tendency for democratic nations to move to the right. This thinking has been applied to the mood and situation in the United States in advance of the November presidential election.

Now Pierre Trudeau has led his Liberal political party to a resounding victory in Canada, and that move away from the right is being considered to be most similar in temperament to United States voters.

The difficulty in trying to draw parallels or contrasts lies in the myriad local and national internal considerations which motivate voters in any democratic society. There are too many variables to make any reasoned conclusions of one set of elections, and try to apply them to another nation. If there are parallel considerations for voters of different nations, they probably will not become apparent until all of the election results are known.

It is interesting, though, to speculate on one aspect common to politics in each of the nations under discussion. It is the probability that the personality of the candidates is being given greater and greater weight in voter decisions, and proliferating television is favoring the "attractive" candidate.

Will TV projection dictate the outcome in the U.S. in November?

WILLIAM RITT

You're  
Telling Me!

A firm which operates municipal garbage disposal systems for recovering organic fertilizers estimates that by 1980 the nation's annual garbage output may triple to a staggering 870 billion pounds. As that one-time radio comic used to say:—"What revolution development!"

Skunks are immune to the sting of a bee—nature item. On the other hand, maybe no bee ever got close enough to a skunk to sting one.

A famous New York ball room, which opened in 1918, expects soon to welcome the dance hall's 48 millionth patron. That business is certainly stepping along!

DR. COLEMAN  
.. And Speaking  
Of Your Health

It has taken hospital administrators many years to catch up with the knowledge of psychiatrists, psychologists, and sociologists. Hospitals finally seem to be conceding to this relentless pressure and the will of parents who insist that they want to stay overnight with their children on whom surgery is planned.

It is a remarkable phenomenon, well known to sociologists, that poor, underprivileged people in developing countries simply refuse to leave their children alone at a time when the child needs them most. People in higher intellectual and financial levels seem to be afraid to stand up to hospital administrators and doctors who insist that "The child is better off without Dr. Coleman the parent."

Children up to the age of six, for example, have been completely protected and made secure by the limitations imposed on them by their parents. "Wear this," "Cover yourself," "Don't cross the streets," "Don't stand near the window," "Wear your rubbers," and a thousand modifications of these instructions of love allow a child to believe he can depend on his parents for security and protection.

Now comes his first hospital experience for the removal of his tonsils, the repair of a hernia, an appendectomy, or perhaps surgery for crossed eyes. Parents who have surrounded children with constant devotion are too often "conned" into leaving their children alone, thus seeming to abandon them at the time they are needed most.

Dr. Bertram Gosliner, a New York psychoanalyst, astutely said, "The child who is better off without his parents at this time, may always be better off without his parents." He added, "For, of all times in a child's life, this is the one time that a child needs his parents most."

This becomes more apparent when one realizes that the chances are more than 300 to one that the next time a six-year-old girl will be admitted to a hospital will be when she is about to give birth to her first child. Does this highlight the

importance of maintaining the security of the child and avoiding giving her the feeling that she has been forsaken by her parents when she needed them most?

Hospital administrators who live in a very practical world without a real understanding of the deep-seated needs of patients, are coming around to this way of thinking because of a strictly financial interest. They have learned that the need of nursing care for a child whose tonsils have been removed is reduced by 80 percent when the mother sits, or sleeps in the same room overnight with her child. The cliché that children alone, without their parents, "play with the other children" is one, big, fat lie. Twenty-five years of surgery on thousands of children has made me come to the single, firm conclusion that the only thing children want after an operation is the feel and smell of their mother and father. Toys, television, books, and other children are strictly "for the birds," and I am sure they, too, would not want to be alone after a surgical experience.

When a child is in the hospital for a long stay, it is understandable that parents cannot be with them all the time. Parents should be allowed to come and go at any hour of the day or night, as long as they do not disturb other patients. Psychologists make the brilliant suggestion that leaving a glove, a pocketbook, or eye glasses in the crib of a child too young to understand the reason for a parent's departure, gives them the feeling that "Mama will return."

Once before, I told of the child who was asked by the nurse, "What do you want Mommy to bring you?" With the wisdom of the sages, the five-year-old said, "I want Mommy to bring me home." That's where security lies.

SPEAKING OF YOUR  
HEALTH: Plastic bags are not  
children's toys.

These columns are designed to relieve your fears about health through a better understanding of your mind and body. All the hopeful new advances in medicine reported here are known to doctors everywhere.

Your individual medical problems should be handled by your own doctor. He knows you best.

JAY BECKER

Contract Bridge

West dealer.  
North-South vulnerable.

NORTH		EAST	
AK8	2	AKQ98	9864
75	AKQ648	AKJ97	AK
AKQ	AKQ	AKQ	AKQ
SOUTH		NORTH	
AKQ	AKQ	AKQ	AKQ
AKQ	AKQ	AKQ	AKQ
AKQ	AKQ	AKQ	AKQ

The bidding:  
West 1♣ 1♥ 1♠ 1♣  
North 1♣ 1♥ 1♠ 1♣  
East 1♣ 1♥ 1♠ 1♣  
South 1♣ 1♥ 1♠ 1♣

Opening lead—four of hearts. Most people play bridge because they find it to be a very relaxing and enjoyable game and because, somehow or other, they manage to forget all their worries and cares while indulging in their favorite pastime.

However, you can't relax too much at the bridge table because, if you do, you wind up behind the eight ball in too many deals. You have to think at all times to secure the best possible result, and anyone who relaxes too much and starts to bid or play mechanically must surely pay the piper from time to time.

Here is a typical situation

from a team of four match. At the first table, West led the four of hearts. East won with the king and returned a low club, South following low.

West won with the queen, cashed the ace, and shifted to a diamond. Declarer took East's jack with the king, ruffed a heart high, drew trumps, led a diamond to the queen, and discarded his jack of clubs on the ace of diamonds to make the contract.

Obviously, something went wrong with the defense, since East-West had started with four defensive tricks — three clubs and a heart — and wound up with three.

At the second table, the defense functioned much better and East-West defeated four spades. Here, also, East won the heart lead with the king and shifted to a low club.

But when declarer followed low, West did not make the mechanical play of the queen. West deduced from South's low club play that he was highly unlikely to have the king and that East therefore had it.

Accordingly, West won the club with the ace and continued with the queen. This made it easy for East to recognize that the A-Q of clubs, played in that order, indicated a doubleton. East overtook the queen with the king and returned a club to defeat the contract one trick.

BENNET CERF

Try And Stop Me

Six judo champions from Japan, touring the USA, tarried for dinner at a Miami Beach stone crab emporium. When the check was put on the table, nobody seemed particularly anxious to pick it up. "I've got an idea, gentlemen," suggested the helpful waiter. "Why don't you flip each other for it?"

Herbert Tarr, author of "For Heaven's Sake," received a letter from a Long Islander stating that her church was in a hopeless financial mess. "We've tried bingo games, grab bags, box socials, benefit movie openings — everything," she complained. "Can't you suggest something, no matter how drastic, to keep our church afloat?" Mr. Tarr answered, "Try religion."

Elders of the Pilgrim colony of Massachusetts had good cause to remember the morning their hitherto impeccable Mr. Standish got fresh with a fair



young maiden. It was from this moment forward that Mr. Standish was always referred to by Pilgrims in the know as "Naughtful Myles."

They should have given an "A" to the resourceful student who, asked for a principal use of cowhide, hazarded "To hold the cow together."

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## FOUR SCHOOLS GET NEW PRINCIPALS IN BH

### Opening Of Bids Set In St. Joe

#### \$1 Million Plan For Expanding The High School

Bids for the million dollar expansion of St. Joseph high school will be opened July 31. St. Joseph school board learned last night.

Plans and specifications have been prepared by the architectural firm of Trend and Associates. With the end of a carpenters' strike apparently at hand, builders will have almost four weeks to figure their bids.

Dr. Dean K. Ray was re-elected to his third term as board president at the organization meeting held at the start of last night's meeting. Ray Dumke was re-elected vice president; Collins Gillespie was elected secretary succeeding Mrs. Luther Zick who did not seek re-election and James Mason was re-elected treasurer.

#### LEGAL BUSINESS

Also at its organization meeting the board set regular meetings for 7 p.m. on the second Monday of each month, named the Peoples State Bank of St. Joseph as depository for all school funds; named Fred Thrun of Miller, Canfield, Paddock & Stone of Detroit as the board's bonding and election attorney and Myron Wolcott as legal counsel and established various persons to sign checks for various funds.

Supt. Richard Ziehmer listed 19 new teachers hired since last regular meeting and six resignations. Ziehmer said still needed are a senior high physics teacher, senior high school home economics, and art teacher; girls physical education instructor; junior high French teacher, elementary librarian and elementary physical education teachers.

Ziehmer said the decision to hire teachers before the third operating millage election was held enabled the district to obtain qualified teachers. The operating millage election was approved June 10 after being rejected twice previously.

#### ASK FEDERAL FUNDS

The board approved making formal application to the National Defense Education Act for funds to purchase instructional equipment. The entire program will total \$92,000 of which \$23,368 would be reimbursable. Robert Wallen, administrative assistant, said last year the equipment total was \$108,773 of which \$41,399.99 was reimbursable.

The federal government last year provided 40 per cent but this year the reimbursable rate has been cut to 4 per cent, generally.

Mary Williamson, principal of the special education school at Gard, reported "The Gard School Story," has been shown 41 times to 1,250 residents.

Ziehmer reported the Citizens Advisory Council planned to hold its organization meeting tonight. Ziehmer recommended a special orientation meeting be held before school opens in the fall so new members of the council can become acquainted with school problems.

The board Dennis Percy to "proceed as rapidly as legally possible to get specifications and bids for getting Christ Lutheran school ready for the world's largest ferris wheels, originally designed for the Seattle World's Fair.

The wheel, built at a cost of \$250,000, is 126 feet high, weighs 93 tons and is decked with more than 5,000 lights. It is being taken to only select state fairs across the country and is being brought here between engagements.

WESTERN DRESS Throughout the plaza, stores will set up outside sales displays for the event and employees will dress in old western costumes.

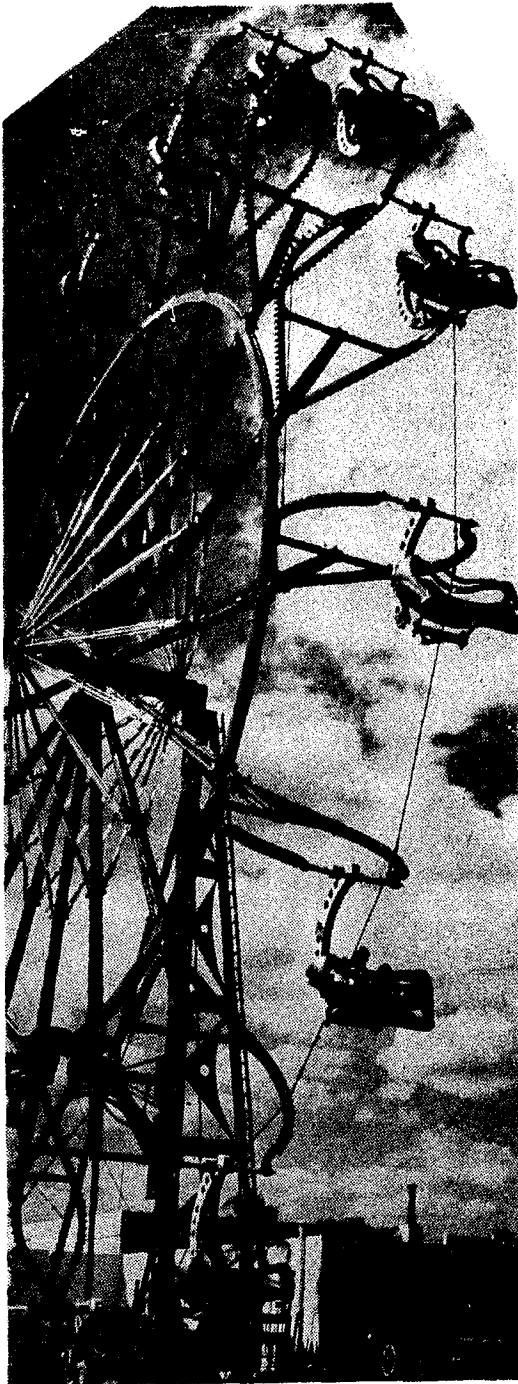
Special entertainment will include: a clown dispensing free animal-shaped balloons and stage coach rides around the plaza Thursday through Saturday; the Fruitbelt Barbershop chorus on Thursday night, and a honky tonk piano player, and an antique car display and radio-controlled model airplane exhibitions on Saturday.

Teachers who do not wish to teach full time may find just what they are looking for in St. Joseph High school.

St. Joseph High school Principal Horace Webb could use art, physical education, home economics and U.S. history teachers.

Webb said anyone interested in teaching could contact him at his office (983-1573.) He said part-time teachers would be considered for the positions.

Junior High Principal Pat Ryan added he is looking for mathematics and drafting teachers.



**GIANT FERRIS WHEEL:** One of the biggest ferris wheels in the county will be at Fairplain Plaza during plaza's fifth annual Frontier Days Thursday through Sunday. Towering 126 feet in the air, it will stand slightly higher even than the plaza's water tower, which extends 120 feet in the air.

### Frontier Days Return To Plaza

#### Sales Event To Feature Huge Ferris Wheel

The Fairplain Merchants association has announced that its fifth annual Frontier Days celebration will begin Thursday and continue through Sunday.

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Special entertainment will include: a clown dispensing free animal-shaped balloons and stage coach rides around the plaza Thursday through Saturday; the Fruitbelt Barbershop chorus on Thursday night, and a honky tonk piano player, and an antique car display and radio-controlled model airplane exhibitions on Saturday.

Teachers who do not wish to teach full time may find just what they are looking for in St. Joseph High school.

St. Joseph High school Principal Horace Webb could use art, physical education, home economics and U.S. history teachers.

Webb said anyone interested in teaching could contact him at his office (983-1573.) He said part-time teachers would be considered for the positions.

Junior High Principal Pat Ryan added he is looking for mathematics and drafting teachers.

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### Name Page As Board President

#### Officials Get Pay Hikes; Bids Opened On Stump Rooms

The Benton Harbor board of education last night elected Atty. Lester Page as its new president, then raised salaries of most administrators.

Raises also were granted to principals, four vacant principalships were filled, and bids opened for orthopedic classrooms at Stump Nickerson school.

Assistant superintendent for personnel Robert W. Payne will receive \$19,500 for 1968-69 plus an additional \$400 for each month he serves as acting superintendent. Assistant superintendent for business affairs Raymond Sreboth will get \$19,000.

#### TWO-YEAR CONTRACTS

Payne and Sreboth received new two-year contracts to replace three-year contracts which called for \$17,850. Donald McAlvey, assistant superintendent for curriculum, continues on the final year of a three-year pact at \$17,850.

Payne said other administrative pay increases generally amount to five per cent, except that Edward Troffer, director of building and grounds, remains at \$12,165.

Top-paying principalship is at the high school where Lionel J. Stacey will get \$18,500—and \$1,800 increase over last year's contract for principal Calvin Cleveland.

Principals' salaries are based on experience, weeks worked and number of students in the principalship.

#### NEW PRINCIPALS

Named principals to fill vacancies are John D. Cooper, Hull, salary \$15,000; James J. Ray, Bard; John Watson, Boynton-Martindale; Robert Sill, Fairplain West-Northwest each at \$13,000 annually. Joseph Shurn is the new assistant principal at Hull, \$11,700.

Cooper, 39, became superintendent of Johnson district in 1962 after teaching at Coloma. He was named principal of Johnson - Millburg - Spinks Corners unit in the consolidation of 1965. Ray, 42, has been in the Benton Harbor district three years. He formerly taught in Covert and Chicago and has 11 years experience as a psychiatric social worker.

Watson, 41, was acting principal at Boynton school part of last year and directs the summer elementary school there.

He has been a school district employee 15 years. Sill, 47, has been junior high school principal at Berrien Springs and formerly taught at Ohio Wesleyan university. He is a Benton Harbor high school graduate as is Shurn, 38, a teacher here for the past nine years.

The appointments leave two principalships still to be filled—Benton Harbor junior high school and the unit of Johnson - Millburg - Spinks Corners which has been held by Cooper.

#### LOW BIDDER

The board recommended that low bidder Olson Brothers Construction Co. of South Haven be awarded a contract by the Berrien county intermediate board of education to build orthopedic facilities at Stump Nickerson school. Olson's bid for two classrooms, physical therapy room, kitchen and remodeling to present building, plus an alternate classroom is \$163,280, described as close of the estimate.

Mrs. Dorothy Blakeslee was named legislative and voting delegate to the Michigan Association of School Boards.

The board set its regular meeting date as the second Monday of each month, at 7:30 p.m. in the administration building, with the provision of moving to another site if larger quarters are needed. The board had been meeting on the second

Wednesday.

Formally seated were new board members Oliver Rector and incumbent Dorothy Blakelee winners in the June election.

Herkner, Smits, Miskill and Johnson, Benton Harbor certified public accountants, were appointed district auditors for 1968-69, replacing Sharpe & Shewman, CPA, Benton Harbor.

Decision was delayed on employing counsel for general legal services, a position that has been held by Atty. Robert Small, Miller, Canfield Paddock & Stone of Detroit were retained as counsel for bond issues and elections.

#### OTHER SALARIES

Other administrative salaries approved by the board: Gene McFadden, assistant superintendent for community education, \$14,700, paid by community education fund; Don Pobuda, director of reimbursable programs and public relations, \$14,000 with \$13,200 reimbursed by federal program; Richard Wragg, director of elementary curriculum; \$14,000; Robert Smith, director of budget and finance; \$13,400; Ida Hoon, coordinator of instructional materials, \$12,100, salary reimbursed by federal program Tom Ulberg, director of food service, \$10,000; Ben Mammima, director of transportation, \$8,850; Wayne Hemingway, purchasing and supply agent, \$8,850; Charles Gray, attendance officer, \$7,500;

Other principals' salaries: Leon Burgoyne, Fairplain junior high, \$15,000; Lawrence Peachey, Sorter-Pearl, \$13,800; Mary Buesing, Lafayette - North Shore - Eaman, \$13,500; Leonard Cassidy, Fairplain East - Northeast, \$13,500; Carl Carlson, Sterne-Brunson - Columbus, \$13,500; Clarence Hodges, Henry C. Morton, \$13,500; Alden Bierman, senior high assistant, \$13,500; Joel Carr, senior high assistant, \$13,200; Robin Campbell, Calvin Britain, \$13,200; Gaylor Caszatt, Sodas - Chadwick - Stump, \$13,100; David Mullins, Seely McCord, \$13,000; Merlin Sundstrom, Benton Harbor junior high assistant, \$12,700.

#### VARIOUS ACTIONS

In other matters, the board: Approved discontinuance of a work-study program in special education at the senior high school for at least a year while a study is made to determine if it should be continued. Payne said instructor Roland Watts will be placed in another position.

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Boynton-Martindale



JOHN D. COOPER  
Hull Principal



ROBERT B. SILL  
West-Northwest



JOSEPH SHURN  
Hull Assistant

## Controversial BH Housing Code Okayed

### Requires Re-Inspections; Stancik Joins Council

The Benton Harbor city commission approved by a vote of six to one a controversial amendment to the housing code requiring inspection of all rental units before re-rental.

The only dissenting vote was cast by Commissioner Rex Sheeley, holder of extensive rental units. Seely said he voted against the amendment because "it discriminates against the landlord" and puts no responsibility on the tenant.

The new measure is scheduled to take effect Sept. 1. Unanimous approval was given appointment of John Stancik as second ward commissioner to replace Edward West who resigned.

An overflow gallery attended the commission session. Most of the audience were landlords who came to oppose the housing code amendment.

Under the new ordinance, building inspectors must approve any rental unit whenever a vacancy occurs and may require a landlord to make necessary repairs before re-renting.

Landlords have said this part of the law is unfair because they contend most of the damage to units is done by the previous tenant.

Russell Amundsen of St. Joseph, who operates 25 units in Benton Harbor, proposed that all doubts could be erased as to who is responsible for sub-standard conditions if inspections were made while units were occupied.

Although the amended code carries a \$500 fine and a possible jail sentence for destructive tenants, landlords still contended the amendment was stacked against them.

The landlords said high court costs make it prohibitive for them to take destructive tenants to court.

COURT HELP However, city attorney Sam Henderson said after the meeting that the small claims section of the new federal district court for Benton Harbor may help the landlord. According to Henderson, that court will begin operations in January

1969. Henderson pointed out that lawyers will be prohibited from representing clients in the court and thus costly legal fees for the landlord will be eliminated. The ordinance set a \$2 basic inspection fee and a \$5 re-inspection fee.

While landlords vigorously attacked some sections of the amendment, Will Branscomb, president of the local NAACP, was calling for inspections to be expanded to include housing.

Henderson said that this would, in his opinion, be illegal because it would restrict the right of an owner to dispose of his property. Henderson said that to regulate rentals is one thing but to restrict sale is another.



JOHN STANICK  
New Commissioner

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The commission also passed (See back page, sec. 1, col. 1)

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### Nationwide Search Is Launched

#### BH Board Seeks Successor To Supt. Johnsen

Search for a new Benton Harbor superintendent of schools will extend from coast to coast under direction of the Midwest Administration Center of University of Chicago.

The organization was hired last night by the board of education to obtain candidates from throughout the United States. The quest will be conducted by Dr. Roald F. Campbell, dean of the Graduate School of Education, University of Chicago, and Dr. James Alan Thomas, director of the Midwest Administrative Center.

They expect to obtain a list of 30 to 40 candidates from sources throughout the nation that are in contact with the job market for educational administrators. The state will be screened to five or six from which the board of education will make the final selection.

#### LOCAL POSSIBILITIES

Candidates will be considered from within the Benton Harbor district during the screening process.

The nominees of Campbell and Thomas are scheduled to be presented to the board by the middle of August. Cost of the Midwest Administration Center's services is estimated at \$3,000 to \$3,500.

A team from the University of Chicago will come to Benton Harbor to interview a cross-section of teachers and civic leaders to determine the qualities the community wants in a superintendent.

The Benton Harbor board hopes to fill the vacancy by early fall. The board last month released Albert C. Johnsen from the final year of a three-year contract, which called for \$27,000 this year.

#### JOHNSEN'S NEW POST

Johnsen went to Lake Michigan college as dean of business affairs at \$13,500. He also will receive \$13,500 from the Benton Harbor district in making up the difference.

Robert Payne, assistant superintendent for personnel, was named acting superintendent until the board settles on a permanent choice.

The district is undergoing many personnel changes, but Payne reported last night that said there currently are 23 teacher vacancies are less than at the same time last year. He unfilled posts in the regular program.

### SJ Firemen Sent Out Three Times

St. Joseph Fire department sent both of its main fire engines on three calls yesterday, to Memorial hospital, to Lester avenue and to Edgewater.

At 12:55 p. m. firemen responded to an automatic alarm that sounded at Memorial hospital but it was checked out as a malfunction of the system and not a fire.

At 3:15 p. m. St. Joseph police reported a gas main on fire in the 800 block of Lester avenue. St. Joseph and firemen put out the blaze with a booster line. Michigan Gas Utility workers immediately started repairs.

At 11:58 a. m. a Whirlpool guard reported a fire at Manufacturers Freight Forwarding Co. building, 230 Upton drive and firemen found a fire in a pile of dust and extinguished it before there was any damage to the building.

### BH Man Wins Alma Diploma, Enters Navy

Donald Swanson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald C. Swanson, 1887 Broadway, Benton Harbor, recently graduated from Alma college with a B.A. degree in English and history.

A graduate of Benton Harbor high school, he was a member of Omicron Delta Kappa, national men's leadership honorary society at Alma college.

Swanson was recently sworn into the navy and will report to pilot school in Pensacola, Fla., Sept. 1.

#### Fields Are Wet

LANSING (AP)—Wet, boggy fields hampered field work to some extent last week, says the State Crop Reporting Service, but nearly four days were considered suitable for field work around the state.

ST. JOSEPH, MICH., TUESDAY, JULY 9, 1968

## SCHEDULE VOTE ON CASS MEDICAL FACILITY

New President  
For Cass CollegeMissouri Educator Will  
Succeed Dr. Ivey

DOWAGIAC—Dr. Raymond A. Pietak last night was named president of Southwestern Michigan college and will assume his duties Wednesday under a three-year contract.

DR. RAYMOND PIETAK  
New SMC President

Dr. Pietak, recently dean of instruction at Forest Park community college in St. Louis, Mo., was hired by the SMC board of trustees at a salary of \$22,500 for the first year, with minimum annual increases set at \$1,000 for each of the two following years.

The new president, who is 35 years old, succeeds Dr. Nathan A. Ivey, who resigned last April to assume the presidency of a new junior college in the Marion-Carbondale, Ill., area. He becomes the second president of SMC.

**HEADED BIG STAFF**  
At Forest Park community college, Dr. Pietak was responsible for a staff of 124 persons, including 100 full-time instructors. He headed the total instructional program, including academic, technical and continuing education areas.

In moving from Forest Park, with an enrollment of 4,000 students to SMC with an enrollment of 530 students, Dr. Pietak is assuming his first post as a community college president.

A native of New York state, Dr. Pietak entered the community college field in 1963 when he was named director of admissions at Niagara Community college in that state. He began his career as teacher of secondary education, became a research associate at the University of New York in 1960 and in 1962 received a Ford Foundation grant for school administration.

Dr. Pietak received a bachelor's degree in history from Niagara university; a master's degree in education from the University of Buffalo; and a doctorate in administration and curriculum from the University of New York.

His memberships include the American Association of Junior Colleges, American Association of School Administrators, and Association of University Professors. He also has served as a commissioned officer in the U.S. Army.

Dr. Pietak is married and the father of two children. He plans to come to Dowagiac late today and move his family here as soon as possible. He will formally begin duties at 9 a.m. Wednesday.

The SMC board last night stated: "Dr. Pietak has gained widespread reputation in the community college field, as an innovator of new programs. The quality of education under his leadership in his previous position has been praised by his associates and civic leaders in his district. He has the respect and confidence not only of his superiors, but also of his subordinates. We are certain that Dr. Pietak will give leadership to move Southwestern Michigan college to new plateaus."

In other business last night, the board voted to construct a building at a cost of \$50,000 to serve as an airplane mechanics classroom. The decision ended discussions with the Dowagiac city commission concerning the proposed leasing of a city-owned building at the airport.

Trustees reported that the pre-engineered type of steel building to be erected on the campus

River Valley  
Requests  
13.8 MillsElection Set  
For July 30

THREE OAKS—River Valley school district residents on July 30 will vote on a total of 13.8 mills for operating income and for nine additional teachers sought for an expanded curriculum.

The election is to include two separate ballots. One calls for an 11.8 mill levy for two years to help operate the district. The other calls for two mills for one year to hire the nine teachers and also fill an existing kindergarten post.

The River Valley board of education agreed on the number of mills to be sought last night. The date of the election had been selected earlier.

District voters this past spring rejected proposals totaling 14 mills by a large margin.

The proposed 11.8 mills includes the renewal of 8.45 mills, levied last year, plus an increase of 3.35 mills.

School officials said it would help meet rising operating costs, finance new classroom furniture, provide for six new buses through a lease-purchase plan, provide salary increases for teaching and non-teaching personnel and help maintain the general fund balance.

The new citizens committee headed by John Wilson of Lakeside will meet this Wednesday to plan a presentation of the issue to voters. The committee has concurred with the board on asking for the 11.8 mills.

According to board members, figure voters are more likely to approve rather than reflecting the needs of the school district.

Board president Herman Gnadtke said the school district could not operate with less than the 11.8 mills unless the educational program were cut.

In other action the board named Herman Gnadtke as president for his third one-year term and also renamed Mrs. June Krone as secretary and Harry Coupe as treasurer, both to their fifth terms.

The board also agreed to hold its meetings on the second and fourth Monday's of each month at 8 p.m. at the high school. This is the same as in the past.

**FOR FEDERAL AID**  
On the question of federal aid to education the board voted five to one to come out formally in favor of increasing it. The question was brought up in a letter from the Michigan Association of School Boards.

Gnadtke, Krone, Coupe, Ormand Friedrich and George Lozamek voted in favor of it while Jay Sexton voted against it.

A letter from the Berrien County Intermediate Board of Education informed the board that it has approved the transfer of the Reggie Shonk property from the River Valley district to the Bridgman district.

The River Valley board had taken no stand on the matter but last night it went on record as officially opposing any further transfers of property to other districts.

Shonk requested the change because he said he purchased the property in the belief it was in the Bridgman district.

With Or  
Without  
U.S. Funds?\$2.5 Million  
Project Discussed  
For 2 Years

CASSOPOLIS — The Cass county board of supervisors decided Monday to push for a vote of the people whether to build a new \$2,500,000 medical center with Hill-Burton (federal) funds.

The supervisors at an all-day session at the courthouse adopted a resolution to put the question on the ballot in the November election.

The resolution reads: "The Cass county board of supervisors feel that the medical center be built with or without Hill-Burton funds and that the following questions be put on the ballot."

"1. Is construction of the proposed medical center favored with the Hill-Burton funds and located at, or as near as possible, to the Lee Memorial hospital in Dowagiac?"

"2. Is construction favored without Hill-Burton funds?"

"3. Should 3.5 mills for three years be added to the 1969 taxes to be used for the proposed medical center with the Hill-Burton funds?"

Without Hill-Burton funds, the cost of the facility would amount to seven mills since the federal funds would provide 50 per cent of the cost or \$1,250,000.

## TELLS SITE STATUS

Supervisor Don Marlin, Howard township, chairman of the special medical care facility committee, said the State Health Department has reaffirmed the location of the medical care facility near the Lee Memorial hospital but has not given approval to the site adjacent to the present medical care facility which most supervisors favor. The Hill-Burton funds will not be available if the site is not approved by the State Health Department.

The latter site south of Cassopolis is favored because it is more economical to use the existing sewage plant but the health department accepts the site near the hospital in Dowagiac.

Marlin said "The cost of building a new facility has increased about \$1 million from the time we started talking about the facility two years ago."

Marlin said some of the people in the facility under medical aid who can afford it should be placed in private nursing homes but there is a shortage of nursing homes.

Supervisor Harold Cobb, Penn township, said the decision should be left to the board next year.

Supervisor Glen Grady of Dowagiac said "It should be the board's decision now that we owe it to our parents and old people in the county to have the facility take care of them. They have their roots in this county and have paid taxes all of their lives here."

## DELAY COSTLY

"It is costing us more to put it off and there is no reason to let this slack. I would hate to see our people in Cass county be sent to some other county to be taken care of."

An opponent to the nursing

\$2 Million Bonds Sold  
For Benton Water Project

**SELL WATER BONDS:** Berrien county public works board Monday sold \$2 million in bonds to pay \$1.7 million in construction, plus legal and other fees, on Benton township's county-backed water system. Among those present at signing of bond sales resolution were (seated, from left) Public Works Chairman Herbert Seeder, Secretary Lamont Tufts, (standing, from left) Public Works Bonding Counsel Robert Hammell, and Benton Township Atty. F. A. "Mike" Jones. Bonds run 30 years. (Staff photo)

home idea, Supervisor John Keller, Pokagon township, said that private enterprises may not give the personal attention and care that the public facilities can give.

Drain commissioner Grover Kimmerle reported on a study made on changes needed in the sewage disposal be treated and

## AT NEW BUFFALO

Award Contract For  
Post Office Building

NEW BUFFALO — The contract has been awarded for a new post office building in New Buffalo.

Michigan Senator Philip Hart notified this newspaper Monday that the U.S. Post Office department has awarded the contract for a one-story air conditioned building to Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Levin of Massachusetts.

The estimated cost of the building is \$137,000 and the estimated completion date is August, 1969. After the building is completed, the post office department will rent the building for \$12,618 per year.

When contacted by this newspaper, New Buffalo postmaster Ted Russ expressed surprise and pleasure. Russ said he was surprised because he had not yet been notified and also said he was very pleased to know the contract had been awarded.

Russ said that about seven area persons were to have submitted bids on the building, but that none of them had and he did not know what the situation was concerning the new building.

The new post office will be located on the corner of Mayhew and Buffalo (US-12) streets on land formerly owned by Paul Oselka.

Bangor Votes Aug. 5  
On Elementary School

BANGOR — Voters in the Bangor school district will be asked to approve the construction of a new elementary school when they go to the polls on Aug. 5.

Voters will also be asked to approve a .95 mill increase on state equalized valuation in the debt retirement fund to provide the \$580,000 to construct the school.

The announcement of the proposed new school was made when the Bangor board of education held its reorganizational meeting Monday night.

The school would have 13 classrooms, a library, all purpose room, office and serving kitchen.

On Aug. 5, voters will be asked to approve a 2.8 mill levy for the new school. If approved the 1956 debt retirement fund of two mills which was used to build an elementary school and the gymnasium would be reduced

to 1.15 mills and the 1965 debt retirement fund of 4.6 mills which was used to build the new high school would be reduced to 3.6 mills.

## TAX INCREASE

This means voters paid a total of 6.6 mills on debt retirement fund in the 1967 winter taxes and if the new proposal is approved voters will pay a total of 7.55 mills on the fund, bringing the increase to .95.

Named to a publicity committee for the coming election were Burt McKane, Allan Berger, Duane Goss and Dr. Joseph Cooper. Absentee ballots may now be picked up at the superintendent's office.

During the reorganizational meeting, Donald Piper was re-elected as president of the Bangor board of education. Other officers re-elected are Burt McKane as secretary and Glenn Wokeck as treasurer.

Board members set the meeting dates of the board as the second Monday of the month at 8 p.m. in the board room at the high school. However it was announced the August meeting will be held on Aug. 19.

The board also designated the West Michigan Savings Bank of Bangor as depository of school funds.

**TEACHERS NEEDED**

Howard Byer, superintendent, announced eight teachers are still needed. He said they are four elementary teachers, elementary art, music, and physical education teachers and a junior high science teacher.

It was noted at the meeting, that the final approval from the state fire marshal's office for the new high school has been received.

It was announced a special meeting of the board will be held on July 18 at 8 p.m. At this time bids for a stairwell at the junior high school will be opened.

Contracts  
Awarded  
3 FirmsConstruction Will  
Start Immediately

The Berrien county public works board Monday sold \$2 million worth of bonds and named three firms as bid winners for \$1.7 million worth of construction on Benton township's county-backed water system.

The action set the stage for the immediate start of construction on a big water distribution network that will pipe water from the Benton Harbor system to most of the built-up areas of Benton township and to the Pipestone industrial district and the new Lake Michigan college campus.

Low bidder with an interest rate of 4.7989 per cent average for the 30-year life of the \$2 million bond issue was First of Michigan Corp. & Associates of Detroit.

Interest will amount to \$1,926,530, according to Benton Township Atty. F.A. "Mike" Jones.

## WINNING BIDDERS

Winners of construction contracts are Yerington & Harris of Benton Harbor, \$1,199,490.55 to install water mains; Holland Construction Co. of St. Joseph, \$278,502 to build a pumping station and foundations for a four million gallon standpipe; and Chicago Bridge & Iron Co. of Detroit, \$246,800 to build the standpipe on a corner of the new Lake Michigan college campus.

Atty. Jones said Yerington & Harris were accepted over the low bidder for water mains, F.J. Siller Co. of Ann Arbor, because Siller sought 500 days to complete the project and the Benton Harbor firm needs only 120. The Siller bid was \$115,000 lower, but asked an extra year to do the job.

Holland Construction Co. and Chicago Bridge & Iron were both low bidders for their phases. Construction bids totaling \$1,724,792.55, were below the estimate of \$1,751,000.

Water mains must be started within 30 days and finished in 120; pumping station and standpipe foundations must be started within 10 days and completed in 240; and the standpipe must be started within 120 days and finished by April 10, 1969.

Atty. Jones said **VARIOUS COSTS**

The difference between the \$1.7 million in construction and \$2 million in bonds will be taken by engineering, legal and other costs.

Robert Hammell, Detroit bonding counsel for the public works board, said the county's "AA" rating and an improvement in the bond market apparently kept bidders on the \$2 million in water bonds below 5 per cent interest.

Members of the winning First of Michigan bidding combine are Detroit Bank and Trust Co.; Berrien Securities, Inc.; Kenower MacArthur & Co.; Barcus, Kindred & Co., Inc.; Prescott Merrill Turben & Co. and Chaner Newman Securities Co.

Besides the winning First of Michigan firm, bidders were: Northern Trust Co., Chicago, 4.80673 per cent average interest; Harris Trust & Savings Chicago, 4.8199; Hasley Stuart & Co., Inc., Chicago, 4.83634; and First National Bank of Chicago, Chicago, 4.85805.

Transfer of the \$2 million from First of Michigan to the county will take place within 30 days, Atty. Jones said.

Also Monday, the public works board:

• Tentatively approved a request by the Village of Three Oaks for county assistance in financing and building a \$765,000 sewage disposal system. The request will go to the full Berrien county board of supervisors at its July 15 meeting.

• Asked the Michigan Municipal Finance commission to speedily approve the \$730,000 Stevensville - Lincoln township sewer system bond, and raise the maximum allowable interest from 5 up to 6 per cent.

• Accepted a \$110,000 federal grant on the Stevensville-Lincoln project, since the public works will handle financing.

LMC Hires  
First Negro  
TeacherFormer BHHS  
Science Instructor

ALOUCHE WHITFIELD, JR.

Lake Michigan college President James Lehman last night announced the hiring of the college's first Negro teacher, former Benton Harbor High School instructor Alouch Whitfield, Jr.

Whitfield, who lives with his wife, Cecelia, at 197 Urbandale street, Benton township, will be the third Lake Michigan college graduate to return to the college to teach, President Lehman added.

"We're very pleased that he's the first black teacher at Lake Michigan college in its history," the president told college board members last night.

Holder of a bachelor's degree from Michigan State university and scheduled to receive his master's degree in biology from Western Michigan university in August, Whitfield will draw \$8,890 at LMC as a biology teacher.

For the past three years he taught general science, biology and chemistry at Benton Harbor high school and was class adviser for two classes, coach of a community school basketball team, and recently was named coordinator of student affairs.

He was a member of the high school faculty committee when teachers voted last May to leave their classrooms for a series of off-campus discussions following a strike by students.

Whitfield is a member of National Honor Society, the Michigan Science Teachers association and Phi Theta Kappa.

## Held In Shooting

FLINT (AP) — Zack Davis, 38, was arrested Sunday in connection with the fatal shooting of 24-year-old Shirley Haraway of Saginaw, police said. The woman was shot once in the neck in Davis' residence, officers said.

## LOW AND LOEW

Lawyer Says Collectors  
Use His Name Illegally

Niles Atty. Joseph N. Low filed suit Monday in Berrien circuit court claiming \$100,000 damages from two Niles collection agency operators Low contends are using his name to further their collections.

This suit, prepared by Niles Atty. William S. White, claims Deford Wilson, operator of Wilson Agency in Niles, introduces Julian Loew to debtors in a manner leading debtors to believe Loew is Atty. Joseph N. Low.

Berrien Circuit Judge Karl F. Zick Monday signed a temporary restraining order preventing the defendants from leading anyone to believe Loew is Atty. Low or that Loew is an attorney.

The judge's order also sets a July 22 hearing for Loew and Wilson to appear and show why an injunction should not be issued against them.

Atty. Low claimed in his suit that Julian Loew uses the name J. Loew to intentionally lead debtors to believe he's Atty. Joseph N. Low.